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SYSTEM

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, and more particularly in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b), Applicants cite the following references (each listed for the Examiner's convenience on the enclosed Form PTO-1449):

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3,476,200	11/04/69	Schoepe
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A copy of each listed reference for which a copy is required under 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2) is also enclosed. Applicants respectfully solicit the Examiner's consideration of the listed references and entry thereof into the record of this application.

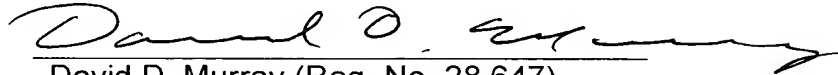
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Respectfully submitted,

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